

1932

MEN

Stanford - July 15-16

After the poor showing in the 1928 Games, the structure of the trials was slightly changed. The qualifying meetings - NCAA, IC4A and various semi-final tryouts - served to eliminate a larger number of athletes, and so reduce the number of preliminary rounds.

100 Meters - July 16

1. Ralph Metcalfe (Marquette)	10.6 (10.64)
2. Eddie Tolan (Unat.- Detroit)	10.7e (10.71)
3. George Simpson (Unat.- Columbus, Ohio)	10.8e (10.76)
4. Emmett Toppino (Loyola/NO)	10.8e (10.79)
5. Frank Wykoff (USC)	10.8e (10.81)
6. James Johnson (Ill N)	10.8e (10.81)

Heats - first 3 qualify

- 1/ 1. Toppino 10.9, 2. Simpson 10.9e, 3. Metcalfe 10.9e, 4. Hudson Hellmich (Illinois) 11.1e, 5. Nate George (WCAC) 11.1e, 6. Dick Hardy (Corn) 11.2e (-1.4w)
- 2/ 1. Tolan 10.4, 2. Wykoff 10.6e, 3. Johnson 10.6e, 4. Don Bennett (Ohio St) 10.7e, 5. Ralph Montague (SFOC) 10.9e, 6. William Carr (MiAA) 11.0e (-1.0w)

The hot favourite to win was Ralph Metcalfe, who had won the NCAA title in a superb 10.2, a mark which was never recognized by the AAU. In his heat Metcalfe lagged well behind the fast starting Toppino, but terminated with a terrific rush, his trademark throughout his career. Simpson closed in on the fading Toppino, and the 3 were virtually abreast (from videotape of film taken from the backstraight stands). Hellmich led the second echelon as Hardy seemed to pull a muscle in the last few yards. In the other heat, Tolan showed excellent mid-race pickup to pull 1 1/2 meters clear of Wykoff at the finish. The IC4A champion held off little James Johnson by just over a foot, with Bennett, the NCAA runner-up, a well beaten 4th.

Tolan again showed a good pick-up in the final, but was caught by Metcalfe with about 20 meters to go. Metcalfe had been responsible for a false start, but got (for him) a good getaway at the second time of asking. The powerful (5'11/180) Chicagoan won by 2 foot from Tolan, with Simpson taking 3rd in a blanket finish. Johnson might have finished with a higher place, but he strayed from lane 6 out to lane 7 by the end of the race, while many observers considered that Toppino had reached the line in 4th place ahead of Wykoff, and indeed review of the race film showed that this was indeed the case. The prevailing wind throughout the trials hindered the sprinters and hurdlers, slowing times by at least 1/5th of a second. The 1/100th second times in parentheses come from the Kirby two-eye timer, which was used as an adjunct to the official hand times at the '32 Los Angeles Olympics. The device was invented by Gustavus Kirby in 1929, and was similar to the equipment used by the Dutch at the Amsterdam Games (the only known time is that of Loukola - 9:21.80 - in the '28 steeplechase). The Kirby camera was referred to in the famous finish 3 weeks later at the Olympics when Tolan edged Metcalfe in the remarkably close finish (10.38 for both) to the Olympic 100m. Although many considered Metcalfe a far greater sprinter than Tolan, the fact remains that during their careers they met 11 times, with Tolan holding a 6-5 advantage. Metcalfe was, however, the world's best in 1932-34 and won 16 championship (FOT/AAU/NCAA) titles compared with 6 for Tolan.

200 Meters - July 16

1. Ralph Metcalfe (Marquette)	21.5 (21.49)
2. Eddie Tolan (Unat.- Detroit)	21.7e
3. George Simpson (Unat.- Columbus, Ohio)	21.7e
4. Hector Dyer (LAAC)	21.8e
5. Bob Kiesel (California)	21.8e
6. James Johnson (Ill N)	22.0e

Semi-finals: - first 3 qualify

- 1/ 1. Simpson 22.0, 2. Tolan 22.1e, 3. Kiesel 22.1e, 4. Nate George (WCAC) 22.2e, 5. John Waybright (Navy) 22.5e

2/ 1. Dyer 21.9, 2. Metcalfe 21.9e, 3. Johnson 22.0e, 4. Bennett 22.2e

Heats: - first 3 qualify (July 15)

1/ 1. Metcalfe 21.7, =2. Simpson and Bennett 21.9e, 4. Ashley Burch (WCAC) 22.1e, 5. Ben Johnson (Plymouth, Pa.HS) 22.2e

2/ 1. Kiesel 21.8, 2. Johnson 22.0e, 3. Waybright 22.2e, 4. Howard Jones (NYAC) 22.3e, 5. Ralph Montague (SFOC) 22.4e

3/ 1. Dyer 21.6, 2. Tolan 21.7e, 3. George 21.9e, 4. Stewart Wilcox (Wesleyan) 22.1e, 5. Hudson Hellmich (Illinois) 22.2e

Although most sources note that this was a race over a turn course, it was in fact a 200m straight, evidenced by videotape showing the runners coming out of the tunnel at the end of the long straight in Stanford stadium 60 meters into the race. In the heats Kiesel seemed to be the sharpest, easing off after creating an enormous lead in the tunnel. Metcalfe's strength drew him clear before halfway in the final, and he came home an easy winner with a margin of 1 1/2 meters over Tolan. The runner had to contend with a headwind of between 2 and 3 meters per second, which slowed them by about half a second. As in the 100 review of film of the finish showed that 4th and 5th places officially announced needed to be reversed, with Dyer finishing 4th ahead of Kiesel.

400 Meters - July 16

1. Bill Carr (Penn)	46.9 (47.11)
2. Ben Eastman (SFOC)	47.1e
3. James Gordon (LAAC)	47.4e
4. Ed Ablowich (USC)	47.5e
5. Ivan Fuqua (Indiana)	47.6e
6. Arnold Adams (Bates)	47.6e
7. Karl Warner (Yale)	47.7e

Heats: - first 3 + fastest loser qualify

1/ 1. Carr 47.6, 2. Warner 48.1e, 3. Ablowich 48.4e, 4. Fuqua 48.7e, 5. Riley Williamson (OB) 48.9e, 6. Merrill Hershey (Mi N) 49.2e, 7. Talbot Hartley (Wash AC) 49.3e, 8. John McCarthy (LAAC) 50.7e

2/ 1. Eastman 48.8, 2. Gordon 48.9e, 3. Adams 49.1e, 4. Ed Russell (Michigan) 49.1e, 5. William Arnold (Mi N) 49.4e, 6. Reginald Bowen (NYAC) 49.6e, 7. Art Woessner (USC) 49.8e

Eastman was considered a sure-fire Olympic winner after his WR 46.4 for 440 yards on the Stanford track in March, but he suffered a shock defeat (46.99 to 47.19) against Carr in the IC4A at Berkeley at the beginning of July, and Carr, using his ability to maintain his form better than Eastman, again beat him at the FOT, after Eastman led by 3 yards at 200m (22.2). Carr had drawn the outside slot (the runners started on the same line - then the norm, rather than in a staggered start). Eastman went ahead from the gun, with Gordon second ahead of Carr. Gordon kept ahead of Carr until the curve, when the Penn sprinter surged up to Eastman's shoulder. They ran side by side for 20m and then Carr eased away to win by 2 meters. He duplicated this double win in taking the Olympic title 3 weeks later. As only 2 non-Americans ran under 48.0 in 1932, the standard in the FOT was phenomenal, with the last man running a time which would have ranked 11th on the 1932 world list (had he not had a faster time anyway). Gordon was jostled on the turn, but recovered and just held Ablowich off for the final Olympic team place.

800 Meters - July 16

1. Edward Genung (Wash AC)	1:52.6 (1:52.70)
2. Charles Hornbostel (Indiana)	1:52.8e
3. Edwin Turner (Michigan)	1:52.9e
4. Otto Rosner (NYAC)	1:53.0e
5. George Bullwinkle (NYAC)	1:53.0e
6. Dale Letts (Ill AC)	1:53.4e
7. Ferris Webster (USC)	1:54.0e
8. Howard Dawson (Princeton)	1:54.3e

Heats: - July 15 (First 4 qualify)

1/ 1. Genung 1:53.5, 2. Turner 1:53.7e, 3. Bullwinkle 1:53.8e, 4. Webster 1:54.0e, 5. Charles Sansone (LAAC) 1:54.1e, 6. Herb Sears (Purdue) 1:54.2e, 7. Robert Brown (Unat.- Columbus, Ohio) 1:54.8e

2/ 1. Hornbostel 1:54.0, 2. Rosner 1:54.3e, 3. Dawson 1:54.5e, 4. Letts 1:54.6e, 5. Elmer "Bulldog" Gray (AbC) 1:55.0e, 6.

Leslie Schaefer (Penn) 1:55.6e, 7. Roy Smith (Asbury Park AC) 1:56.4e

Genung set the initial pace in the final, but Hornbostel then took over, with Turner and Bullwinkle in his slipstream. Genung moved up after the bell - reached in a slow 58.0 - into second place and edged past the NCAA champion with half a lap to go and held him at bay the rest of the way, with Turner taking the 3rd spot, just ahead of the NYAC duo of Rosner and Bullwinkle.

1500 Meters - July 16

1. Norwood "Pen" Hallowell (Harvard)	3:52.7 (3:52.58)
2. Frank Crowley (NYAC)	3:53.3e
3. Glenn Cunningham (Kansas)	3:53.8e
4. Gene Venzke (NYAC)	3:55.0e
5. Henry Brocksmith (Indiana)	3:55.8e
6. Joe Mangan (NYAC)	3:56.3e
7. Leo Lermond (NYAC)	3:56.8e
8. Kenneth Wills (WSU)	Dnf

Heats: - July 15 (First 4 qualify)

- 1/ 1. Brocksmith 3:57.2, 2. Hallowell 3:57.3e, 3. Venzke 3:58.5e, 4. Wills 3:59.3e, 5. Robert Hunter (MuAClub) 3:59.4e, 6. D. Woolsey (Unat.- Maquon, Ill.) 4:00.0e, 7. Frank Lydie (LAAC) 4:01.5e, Frank Nordell (NYU) - Dnf
- 2/ 1. Cunningham 3:56.3, 2. Crowley 3:56.8e, 3. Mangan 3:57.3e, 4. Lermond 3:57.8e, 5. Carl Coan (Penn) 3:58.3e, 6. Ray Sears (Butler) 3:59.8e, 7. Larry Kenney (Purdue), Barry Estes (Harvard) - Dnf

Gene Venzke was a virtual certainty for the US team; he had run the fastest time in the world in 1932 for both the mile (4:10.0i) and 1500 (3:52.6 - a US record set at Cambridge on June 18). Until the last 100 yards of the FOT race he still looked a certainty. At that point he had moved in front of pacesetter Henry Brocksmith, but, challenged by Hallowell for the lead Venzke held on for only 20 yards, and then buckled. Pen (from Penrose) Hallowell sailed on to an untroubled victory followed by Crowley, who surged past Venzke just after Hallowell, and Cunningham. The Kansan had been favored to make the team off his short lived US record (3:53.1) set when winning the NCAA title, but Hallowell's win was a surprise. Although his Kirby-time was faster than Venzke's US record, the mark (officially 1/10 slower) was never put forward for ratification.

3000 Meters Steeplechase - July 16

1. Joseph McCluskey (Fordham)	9:14.5 AR
2. Walter Pritchard (Hamilton)	9:18.0e (20y behind)
3. Glen Dawson (Okla)	9:18.4e (2y)
4. Forest Harvey (Denver AC)	9:23.5e (30y)
5. Harold Manning (Unat.- Wichita)	9:35.0e (50y)
6. Edwin Chapman (Indiana)	9:38.5e (20y)
7. George Lermond (NYAC)	9:43.0e (25y)
8. Frank Highly (USN)	9:48.5e (30y)

Steve Dobbs (SFOC), J.C. Watson (Okla), and Harry Carter (SFOC) - Dnf

McCluskey broke the US record of William Spencer set in the 1928 FOT, and it was the equal fastest time (with Olympic champion Volmari Iso-Hollo's Los Angeles heat win) of the year. In the ill-fated Olympic final, when the runners completed an extra lap due to an officials error, covering an additional 460m, McCluskey passed 3000m in second place, but won the bronze medal (in 10:46.2 - equivalent to 9:15 for the correct distance) behind Britain's Tom Evenson who passed him on the extra lap.

5000 Meters - July 16

1. Ralph Hill (SFOC)	14:55.7
2. Paul Rekers (NYAC)	15:18.5e (130y behind)
3. Dan Dean (Penn)	15:22.0e (20y)
4. John Kearns (MIT)	15:55.0e
5. Charles Shugert (Miami/Ohio)	16:04.0e

James Maloney (NYAC), William Zepp (Mi N) and Arthur Martin (Corn) - Dnf.

Hill won the 5000 in a procession, and showed his class in almost beating Lauri Lehtinen of Finland in the Olympic final, and in not protesting when the Finn impeded him in the finishing straight of that race.

10000 Meters - July 16

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| 1. Tom Ottey (Michigan State) | 32:18.2 |
| 2. Eino Pentti (MiAA) | 32:25.5e (40y behind) |
| 3. Louis Gregory (MiAA) | 32:29.0e (20y) |
| 4. Clark Chamberlain (Michigan State) | 32:31.0e (10y) |
| 5. Paul Mundy (Nativity CC) | 32:35.5e (25y) |
| 6. William Zepp (En Mich) | 32:38.0e (15y) |
| 7. John Ryan (Man) | 32:46.0e (45y) |
| 8. Elmo Halahoya (LAAC) | 32:48.0e (10y) |
| 9. William Ivie (Salt Lake City AA) 33:40.0e (300y), George Barker (NYAC), Leonard Chisholm (DoC), Clarence Hill (Unat.- Klamath Falls, Or.) and Thomas McDonough (BAA) - Dnf | |

This was not a strong event for the USA in 1932, and just 15 days after the Trials race - an unhelpful piece of scheduling for the athletes - the 3 Americans failed to finish in the Olympic race - not impressive in view of the fact that 4 of 18 failed to finish.

Marathon

a) Boston, 19 April

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| 1. Paul de Bruyn (GER) | 2:33:36.4 |
| 2. <u>James Henigan</u> | 2:34:32 |
| 3. Ville Kyronen (FIN) | 2:34:55 |
| 4. <u>Albert Michelsen</u> | 2:36:23.4 |
| 5. William Steiner | 2:38:46 |
| 6. Alex Burnside (CAN) | 2:39:42 |

b) Cambridge-Salisbury, 28 May

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| 1. <u>Hans Oldag</u> | 2:38:00 |
| 2. <u>Albert Michelsen</u> | 2:43:45 |
| 3. Hugo Kauppinen (FIN) | 2:48:00 |
| 4. Karl Koski (FIN) | 2:50:37 |
| 5. David Fagerlund | 2:51:31 |
| 6. Fred Ward | 2:55:32 |

c) Los Angeles, 25 June

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| 1. <u>Albert Michelsen</u> | 2:44:11 |
| 2. Franklin Suhu | 3:05:14 |
| 3. Andy Myyra | 3:20e |
| 4. Joe Curtis | 3:45e |
| 5. James Vickery | |
| 6. Bill Frazer | |

Again, the team was selected on the basis of 3 races, and the remarkable Michelsen, now aged 38, placed in all 3. In the Los Angeles race he was 8:35 behind Argentina's Juan Carlos Zabala at 15 miles. The South American was destined to win the Olympic title, but dropped out of the US trial race because of foot problems, leaving Michelsen to win by over 20 minutes. He went on to place 7th (2:39:38) in the Olympic race 8 minutes behind Zabala, with Oldag 11th (2:47:26), while Henigan did not finish.

50 Kilometer Walk

(a) New York - June 5

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| 1. Ernest Crosbie (Mich St) | 5:30:46 |
| 2. William Chisholm (LAAC) | 5:31:17 |
| 3. Rudolph Hantke (GAAC) | 5:39:03 |
| 4. Frank Vasilopoulos (Herm AC) | 5:43:59 |
| 5. John Deni (MetC) | 5:45:05 |
| 6. V. Martin (MetC) | 5:51:53 |

(b) Los Angeles - July 3

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| 1. Harry Hinkel (LAAC) | 5:12:57 |
| 2. Michael Pecora (Brook. Cent) | |
| 3. Eugene Newton (CCC Balt) | |

The first two in New York plus the Los Angeles winner were selected for the Los Angeles games. Crosbie and Chisholm finished 8th (5:28:02) and 9th (5:51:00) in the Olympics won by 39 year old Briton Thomas Green (4:50:10).

110 Meters Hurdles - July 16

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| 1. Jack Keller (Ohio St) | 14.4 (14.53) |
| 2. George Saling (Iowa) | 14.6e |
| 3. Percy Beard (NYAC) | 14.6e |
| 4. John Morriss (Southwestern AC) | 14.8e |

5. Byron Grant (Utah)	14.7e
6. John Black (Ohio St)	14.8e

Semi-finals: - first 3 qualify - July 15

<u>1/</u>	1. Morriss 14.7, 2. Saling 14.8e, 3. Black 15.0e, 4. Bill Stokes (USC) 15.0e
<u>2/</u>	1. Keller 14.7, 2. Beard 14.7e, 3. Grant 14.8e, 4. Lee Sentman (Ill AC) 14.9e, 5. Carville Sparks (WSU) 14.9e

Heats: - first 3 qualify

<u>1/</u>	1. Morriss 14.8, 2. Beard 14.9e, 3. Grant 15.0e, 4. Ernie Payne (USC) 15.1e, =5. Eugene Record (Harvard) and James Hatfield (Ill AC) 15.2e
<u>2/</u>	1. Saling 14.6, 2. Black 14.8e, 3. Sparks 15.0e, 4. Wendell Smith (LAAC) 15.1e, 5. Earl McDonald (NYAC) 15.2e
<u>3/</u>	1. Keller 14.7, 2. Sentman 14.9e, 3. Stokes 15.0e, =4. Alvin Moreau (LSU) and George Lockwood (Yale) 15.0e

Times would have been appreciably quicker had it not been for brisk headwinds throughout the event. Smith, who had run 14.5 two weeks before the trials, was surprisingly eliminated in his heat. Times behind the winners are based on estimated distances between athletes listed in the New York Times, except heat 3, based on videotape evidence. In the final Keller took an early lead and easily held off Saling. The battle for the 3rd spot was decided only in the last stride. Percy Beard, who had set a WR of 14.2y in winning the 1931 AAU, had been suffering from a heavy cold all week, and was in last place after 70 meters. Closing with a terrific rush, he sped past Morriss, Black, and finally Grant. Review of the film showed that Morriss (originally placed 6th) was 4th ahead of Grant (originally placed 4th).

400 Meters Hurdles - July 16

Glenn Hardin (LSU)	53.5 (53.54)
1. Joseph Healey (NYAC)	53.9e
2. F.Morgan Taylor (Ill AC)	54.3e
Eugene Beatty (Mi N)	Dnf

Semi-finals: - first 2 qualify - July 15

<u>1/</u>	1. Taylor 54.2, 2. Hardin 54.4e, 3. Vic Burke (NYAC) 54.5e, 4. Dick Pomeroy (LAAC) 54.5e
<u>2/</u>	1. Healey 54.0, 2. Beatty 54.2e, 3. Clyde Blanchard (Ariz) 54.3e, 4. Art Holman (SFOC) 55.6e

Heats: - first 2 qualify

<u>1/</u>	1. Blanchard 54.1, 2. Burke 54.7e, 3. Alex Reidel (Columbia) 55.5e
<u>2/</u>	1. Healey 54.2, 2. Hardin 54.3e, 3. John Lewis (Detroit AC) 54.6e
<u>3/</u>	<u>1. Pomeroy 54.4, 2. Beatty 54.4e, 3. Dan Bracken (Wa) 54.7e, 4. Hugh Alcorn (BAA) 54.7e</u>
<u>4/</u>	1. Taylor 54.8, 2. Holman 54.9e, 3. Eugene Record (Harvard) 55.0e

Hardin began his 400h career with a clocking of 54.0 in New Orleans on June 4, and improved to 53.4 in winning the Central semi-final tryouts in Evanston on July 2. In only his 5th race he won the Olympic tryouts, but not the AAU title - although both races were the one and same ! Hardin was disqualified for running out of his lane and the AAU title went to Healey, but Hardin was declared winner of the trials and is so listed in the 1932 US Olympic Committee report. Hardin almost failed to make the final. Drawn in lane 1 in his semi-final, he came off the last hurdle in 4th place, and only caught Pomeroy and Burke in the last 5 meters with his superior flat speed. The winner of that semi-final was Taylor, who further enhanced his reputation in making his 3rd successive US Olympic 400h team, though he was only 4th at the final hurdle in the final. It was led by Eugene Beatty, who fell as Hardin went from 3rd to first in the last 50 yards.

High Jump - July 16

1. Cornelius "Corny" Johnson (Los Angeles HS)	6'6 5/8" (1.997)
1. George Spitz (NYAC)	6'6 5/8" (1.997)
1. Robert van Osdel (USC)	6'6 5/8" (1.997)
4. Anton Burg (Ill AC)	6'5 5/8" (1.972)
4. Walter Marty (SFOC)	6'5 5/8" (1.972)

4. Parker Shelby (LAAC)	6'5 5/8" (1.972)
4. Willis Ward (Michigan)	6'5 5/8" (1.972)
8. Albert King (Pershing HS, Detroit)	6'4 5/8" (1.946)
8. Henry Lassalette (LAAC)	6'4 5/8" (1.946)
10. Addison Barber (Unat.- Mich.)	6'3 5/8" (1.920)
11. Derrill Jones (L.B. Harrison Club)	6'2 5/8" (1.894)
11. Bob Schroeder (Pitt St)	6'2 5/8" (1.894)
11. Ted Shaw (Wisc)	6'2 5/8" (1.894)
11. Jim Stewart (USC)	6'2 5/8" (1.894)
15. Bert Nelson (Butler)	6'2" (1.88)
15. William O'Connor (NYAC)	6'2" (1.88)

With no qualifying round the final was a survival of the most patient. In the end a jump-off was not required as the team had selected itself, with just 3 able to clear 6'6 5/8". Jumpers from other countries to clear 1.946 or better in 1932 totalled only 3 (!). Both van Osdel and Johnson set personal bests, and went on to place 2nd and 4th in the Olympic final. Had the post World War II rules been in force at the time, van Osdel and Johnson would have placed 1st and 2nd at the Games. Spitz finished =9th in the OG event, but with 7 of the top 9 jumps of the season was clearly the best jumper of 1932.

Pole Vault - July 16

1. Bill Graber (USC)	14'4 3/8"	(4.37) WR
2. Bill Miller (Stan)	14'1 5/8"	(4.31) WR
3. George Jefferson (UCLA)	13'10 1/4"	(4.22)
3. Don Zimmerman (Tulane)	13'10 1/4"	(4.22)
3. Fred Sturdy (LAAC)	13'10 1/4"	(4.22)
3. Bud Deacon (LAAC)	13'10 1/4"	(4.22)
7. Lee Barnes (LAAC)	13'4"	(4.06)
7. Leon Schram (Marquette)	13'4"	(4.06)
7. Marvin Harvey (Denver AC)	13'4"	(4.06)
7. James McKinley (Mi N)	13'4"	(4.06)
7. Estel Lennington (Illinois)	13'4"	(4.06)
7. Verne McDermott (LAAC)	13'4"	(4.06)
7. Wirt Thompson (Yale)	13'4"	(4.06)
7. Keith Brown (Yale)	13'4"	(4.06)
7. Bryce Beecher (Indiana)	13'4"	(4.06)
7. Jack Wool (SFOC)	13'4"	(4.06)

=17. Tom Warne (Ill AC), Elton Hess (Minn), John Economos (Unat.- Chicago), George Pool (Cal), Irving Seeley (Unat.- Chicago) all 12'10" (3.91)

The 1928 FOT had seen the finest ever competition for depth, with 6 over 13'6". Here, 6 cleared 13'10 1/4", and another 10 jumped 13'4". Only Shuhei Nishida (JPN), the eventual silver medalist in LA, amongst non-Americans exceeded 13'4" in 1932. The vault dominance of the USA during the 1930's was awesome. Miller and then Graber broke Lee Barnes's 1928 World Record of 14'1 1/2", and then Graber cleared 14'4 3/8" for a clear WR. Graber afterwards said "I could feel it was my day...it was the first time this year that I have been able to follow one good vault with another". The tie for third was broken in a jump-off which saw Jefferson clearing 13'11 5/8" ahead of Zimmerman.

Long Jump - July 16

1. Richard Barber (USC)	25'4 3/8" (7.73)
2. Ed Gordon (Iowa)	25'3 3/8" (7.70)
3. Lambert Redd (Bradley)	25'2 1/8" (7.67)
4. John Brooks (Unat.- Chicago)	24'10 5/8" (7.58)
5. John Johnson (USC)	24'5 7/8" (7.46)
6. George Martin (SFOC)	24'5 3/4" (7.46)
7. Maurice Walker (LAAC)	24'5 5/8" (7.45)
8. Darrel Hamilton (Denver AC)	24'4 3/4" (7.43)

Qualifying (July 15) - Redd 25'2 1/8", Brooks 24'10 5/8", Gordon 24'9" (7.54), Johnson 24'5 7/8", Martin 24'5 3/4", Walker 24'5 5/8", Barber 24'5 1/2" (7.45), Hamilton 24'4 3/4". Non-qualifiers: Tom McNally (HC) 23'7 1/4" (7.19), Sol Furth (MiAA) 23'4 1/4" (7.11), Donald Gray (Neb) 23'3 5/8" (7.09), Floyd Wilson (SFOC) 23'2" (7.06), Doyle Gilbert (Unat) 22'11 7/8" (7.00), Armin Dreusicke

(Elmhurst) - 3 Fouls

Five of the top eight achieved their seasonal bests in the FOT - the exceptions being Redd (25'6 3/8) and Brooks (25'2 3/4") who went 1-2 at the NCAA, and Walker who jumped 24'11 1/4" at the West Coast Relays. Barber's winning jump was initially ruled a foul, but he protested virulently and after officials delayed the competition for half an hour searching for a spike mark - unsuccessfully - the jump was ruled legal. Gordon went on to take the Olympic title with 25'0 3/4" (7.64), ahead of Redd 24'11 1/4" (7.60). Barber had an off day, finishing 5th with 24'3" (7.39).

Triple Jump - July 16

1. Sidney Bowman (LSU)	48'11 1/4"	(14.91)
2. Rolland Romero (Loyola/NO)	48'10 1/4"	(14.89)
3. Levi Casey (LAAC)	48'4 3/4"	(14.75)
4. Sol Furth (MiAA)	48'3 7/8"	(14.73)
5. Albert Rogan (Loyola/Chicago)	48'0 1/2"	(14.64)
6. George Bowman (LSU)	47'5 1/2"	(14.46)
7. Ralph Newell (MPB)	46'4 1/4"	(14.12)
8. Lambert Redd (Bradley)	45'3"	(13.79)

Qualifying (July 15): Bowman 48'11 1/4", Romero 48'10 1/4", Rogan 48'0 1/2", Furth 46'11 5/8" (14.31), G. Bowman 46'7" (14.19), Newell 46'4 1/4", Casey 46'1 1/8" (14.05), Redd 45'3", Non-qualifiers: Robert Kelley (SFOC) 45'2 1/8" (13.77), Robert Patton (LAAC) 44'1 7/8" (13.45), Mike Andrusky (Penn) 43'5" (13.24), George Martin (SFOC) 41'1 1/2" (12.53), Howard Hick (NYAC) and Ed Gordon (Iowa) - 3 fouls

Bowman won a tight competition from Romero, another Louisiana citizen, by just one inch. Casey, the 1928 silver medalist, edged Furth by less than an inch for third. The LA Times noted that "Levi Casey, the Irish boy with the English (! - [editor]) not Jewish, first handle, gained a place on the Olympic team by copping third in his specialty..His leap of 48'4 3/4" nosed out Sol Furth". Casey didn't compete in the OG, being replaced by Furth, though the reason for this [presumably an injury to Casey] received no press coverage.

Shot Put - July 16

1. Leo Sexton (NYAC)	52'8"	(16.05)
2. Nelson Gray (SFOC)	50'11 7/8"	(15.54)
3. Harlow Rotherth (LAAC)	50'11 1/2"	(15.53)
4. John Lyman (SFOC)	50'2 3/8"	(15.30)
5. Herman Brix (LAAC)	49'10 3/4"	(15.21)
6. George Theodoratus (SFOC)	49'1 5/8"	(14.97)
7. Clarence "Biggie" Munn (Minn)	47'10"	(14.58)
8. Fred DeBerry (SFOC)	47'8"	(14.53)

Qualifying (July 15): Sexton 52'8", Gray 50'11 7/8", Rotherth 50'4" (15.34), Lyman 50'2 3/8", Brix 49'2" (14.99), Theodoratus 49'1 5/8", Munn 47'10", DeBerry 47'8", Non-qualifiers: Hugh Rhea (Neb) 47'6 7/8" (14.49), Anthony Geniawicz (BAA) 46'10 3/4" (14.29), Alfred Howell (Okla) 46'6 3/4" (14.19), Hueston Harper (USC) 46'4 1/4" (14.13), Otto Schoenfeld (Corn/NYAC) 45'10 7/8" (13.99), Glenn Edwards (LAAC) 45'6 3/4" (13.89), Leroy Dues (Unat) 44'5 3/8" (13.55)

Sexton's mark equalled the listed world record, but was inferior to 1932 marks of 16.07 by Brix (Taft 28 May), and Sexton himself (Cambridge, 18 June - Eastern semi-final tryouts). Only Rotherth, Lyman and Brix improved in the final, with the others having their prelim marks carrying over through the final.

Discus Throw - July 16

1. John Anderson (NYAC)	165'6 3/8"	(50.45)
2. Paul Jessup (Wash AC)	158'4"	(48.26)
3. Henri LaBorde (SFOC)	158'0 1/8"	(48.16)
4. Joseph Crowley (Yale)	157'4"	(47.96)
5. Bob Hall (USC)	152'3 1/8"	(46.41)
6. Robert Jones (Stan)	151'7 7/8"	(46.22)
7. Ed Moeller (LAAC)	149'11 3/4"	(45.71)
8. Frank Purma (Ill)	149'3 1/8"	(45.49)

Qualifying (July 15): Anderson 165'6 3/8", Jessup 156'4" (47.66), Laborde 153'7 3/4" (46.83), Hall 152'3 1/8", Crowley 150'9 1/2"

(45.96), Jones 150'6 1/4" (45.88), Purma 149'3 1/8", Moeller 148'10 3/4" (45.38), Non-qualifiers: Booker Brooks (Michigan) 147'8 1/2" (45.02), Carl Jark (LAAC) 147'0 1/8" (44.81), Peter Troy (Unat) 141'11 1/2" (43.27), Alfred Howell (Okla) 137'8 1/2" (41.98), Jim Bausch (KCAC) 135'8 1/2" (41.36), John Healey (Harvard) 135'1 3/4" (41.19), R.C. Francis (SFOC) 128'10 3/4" (39.29)

Anderson entered the meet as the favorite, after he had launched two marks beyond 160' during 1932, including a nation-leading 163'5 1/4" at the Eastern Tryouts, having displaced Jessup, the world record holder and AAU champion for the previous two years. Jessup had won the Northwestern tryouts, but was beaten by Moeller at the Western Semi-final Tryouts. Henri LaBorde, who had finished second (to Jones) at the IC4A representing Stanford showed good home form in finishing 3rd in the qualifying, and improving by almost 5 feet on the finals day in maintaining that slot. Jessup also improved on day 2 to retain second place, but never threatened Anderson's qualifying effort, which turned out to be the top US mark of 1932, just over 3 ft down on his Olympic winning effort. LaBorde finished a slightly lucky second in the Olympics (Frenchman Jules Noel's best effort was missed by the officials), while the enormous (6'6"/215) Jessup had a badly timed off day in the Olympic final, finishing 8th with a poor 148'4".

Hammer Throw - July 16

1. Frank Connor (NYAC)	170'10 3/4"	(52.09)
2. Peter Zaremba (NYU/NYAC)	168'11 3/4"	(51.51)
3. Grant MacDougall (Penn)	168'2 1/4"	(51.26)
4. Jack Merchant (SFOC)	166'0"	(50.59)
5. Mort Reznick (NYU)	164'9 3/8"	(50.22)
6. Ed Flanagan (LAAC)	163'10 1/8"	(49.94)
7. Victor Malin (Yale/NYAC)	158'8 1/2"	(48.37)
8. Gantt Miller (WvA/NYAC)	157'11 3/4"	(48.15)

Qualifying: Connor 170'10 3/4", McDougall 167'1 3/4" (50.94), Zaremba 166'11 3/4" (50.89), Flanagan 163'10 1/8", Merchant 160'7 1/4" (48.95), Miller 157'11 3/4", Reznick 156'7 1/4" (47.73), Malin 154'1 3/4" (46.99), Non-qualifiers: Ed Black (BAA) 152'10 3/4" (46.61), Ivan Dykeman (Denver AC) 148'4 1/4" (45.22), Hollis Moyse (LAAC) 146'10" (44.75), Spencer Holle (Minn) 140'4 3/4" (42.79), Lawrence Johnson (BAA) and Noble Biddinger (Indiana) - 3 fouls.

The final took place in the morning, to obviate danger from any errant implements, and all 3 places were determined in the qualifying round, though veteran Jack Merchant, an Olympian 12 years earlier, threw a seasonal best in chasing MacDougall.

Javelin Throw - July 16

1. Kenneth Churchill (SFOC)	222'3 5/8"	(67.76)
2. Malcolm Metcalf (Dartmouth)	219'7 5/8"	(66.94)
3. Lee Bartlett (Albion)	214'2 3/4"	(65.30)
4. Clem Friedman (SFOC)	212'0 1/2"	(64.63)
5. George Williams (Hampton)	206'6 1/4"	(62.95)
6. Wilmer Rinehart (Indiana)	203'7 3/4"	(62.07)
7. Duane Purvis (Purdue)	201'2 3/8"	(61.32)
8. James DeMers (LAAC)	199'11"	(60.93)

Qualifying: Friedman 212'0 1/2", Metcalfe 207'8 1/2" (63.36), Williams 206'6 1/4", Rinehart 203'7 3/4", Bartlett 203'6" (62.03), Churchill 201'9 1/2" (61.50), Purvis 199'0" (60.66), DeMers 197'0" (60.05), Non-qualifiers: William Footrick (Springfield AC), James Miles (California) and George Werntz (Colgate) no measured marks.

The Olympic track committee caused a furor when they changed the rules of field event qualifying to allow 8 finalists, instead of 5 as had been the case until the evening of the qualifying events. Almost all AAU districts protested, except the Pacific Coast, whose athletes benefited from the ruling. None did better than Kenneth Churchill, 6th after the preliminary rounds of the javelin, who unleashed a bullet in the second round within 15 inches of DeMers US record, set in the 1930 AAU. Metcalf was near to his personal best (220'10 3/4" in the IC4A) with 219'7 5/8", with Bartlett rounding out the Olympic trio.

Decathlon - June 24/25 Evanston

1. Jim Bausch (KCAC)	3772.65 (3)	8103.25
	12.1/6.62/14.83/1.71/54.2/16.1/46.32/3.77/59.44/5:22.2	
2. Wilson Charles (Haskell)	4030.25 (1)	7378.87
	11.3/6.91/12.35/1.83/52.4/16.8/36.76/3.00/47.18/4:48.3	
3. Clyde Coffman (Kansas)	3804.97 (2)	7360.61
	11.4/6.45/11.95/1.78/51.9/19.9/35.36/3.85/51.80/4:53.8	

4. Joe Hall (Florida)	3734.85 (4)	7143.80
11.8/6.29/13.42/1.78/54.0/16.1/38.18/3.21/47.65/5:19.8		
5. Wilbert Lambeth (Newberry)	3406.38 (9)	6819.90
11.7/6.04/11.81/1.66/53.9/16.8/34.90/3.36/52.88/5:30.1		
6. Graham Batchelor (Georgia)	3578.38 (6)	6518.97
11.5/6.49/13.80/1.55/55.0/18.6/38.52/2.90/58.18/		
7. Harry Frieda (Chicago)	3544.51 (7)	6236.09
11.7/6.18/12.81/1.65/53.7/20.7/38.82/3.36/54.92/		
8. Wallin Bowen (Chicago)	3409.86 (8)	5669.15
11.6/5.98/11.68/1.71/55.5/21.5/34.17/3.36/31.08/6:18.0		
9. George Munger (Penn)	3628.37 (5)	5090.57//
11.8/6.39/11.68/1.78/53.9/17.6/37.57		
10. Max Conrad (Den AC)	3382.70//	12.2/5.92/11.92/1.83/54.4/
11. Ray Moncus (Den AC)	2540.92//	11.5/6.12/11.75/1.55

Wilson Charles won 3 of the first day's events and was more than 250 points ahead of event favorite Bausch after 5 events. Charles, like Jim Thorpe and Fait Elkins before him, was an Indian (from the Oneida tribe), but was unable to withstand the second day rush of Bausch who mirrored Charles's first day efforts by winning 3 of the 5 second day disciplines. Despite outrunning Bausch by more than half a minute in the 1500, Charles still finished over 700 points behind the big Kansas City star, and only 18 points clear of Clyde Coffman, who had vaulted a splendid 12'7 3/4". In the Olympics Bausch won with a WR 8462.235 after Dean Cromwell had published an article explaining why American decathletes had no chance in the Olympics, while Charles finished 4th with 7985 points. Curiously, under the current tables, Bausch would have edged Charles 6735 to 6716...for the silver medal, behind Akilles Järvinen 8292.48/6879. In the FOT the margin was somewhat larger even under the new tables - 6469 for Bausch, and 6270 for Charles.

WOMEN - Evanston - July 16

100 Meters

1. Ethel Harrington (IWAC)	12.3
2. Wilhemina von Bremen (Western WC)	12.4e
3. Elizabeth Wilde (Unat - Kansas City)	12.4e
4. Louise Stokes (Unat - Malden, Mass.)	12.5e
4. Marey Carew (Unat - Medford, Mass.)	12.5e
6. Tidy Pickett (Unat - Chicago)	12.5e
-. Evelyn Furtsch (Los Angeles AC)	Dnf

Semi-finals: - first 3 qualify

<u>1/</u>	1. Wilde 12.2
<u>2/</u>	1. von Bremen 12.4

Heats: - first 2 qualify

<u>1/</u>	1. Wilde 12.4
<u>2/</u>	1. Catherine Capp 12.6
<u>3/</u>	1. von Bremen 12.4
<u>4/</u>	1. Furtsch 12.5
<u>5/</u>	1. Pickett 12.4
<u>6/</u>	1.
<u>7/</u>	1. O'Brien 12.5, 2. Mildred Didriksen (ECAA) 12.6e

Harrington, a local athlete, mistook the finish line in her heat and failed to qualify, but was permitted to run in the final, to the chagrin of the other competitors, and duly won. All of the top 6 were selected for the US relay, but Evelyn Furtsch and Annette Rogers replaced Wilde and Stokes, while Harrington and Pickett were not included in the final four which won gold in Los Angeles. Furtsch, who had won her heat and semi-final, fell just before the finish. Babe Didriksen was one of the 43 athletes entered in the 100, and after finishing second to O'Brien in heat 7, placed 4th in the second semi-final, making her the only athlete ever to compete in every event in a single Olympic Trials.

80 Meters Hurdles

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| 1. Mildred Didriksen (Employers Casualty AA) | 12.1 |
| 2. Evelyn Hall (IWAC) | 12.1e |
| 3. Simone Schaller (PACC) | |
| 4. Lois Collor (IWAC) | |

Heats: - first 3 qualify

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| <u>1/</u> | 1. Didriksen 11.9 |
| <u>2/</u> | 1. Dolores Green 12.5 |
| <u>3/</u> | 1. Hall 11.8 |

Didriksen ran 11.9 in her heat, with Anne O'Brien, the fastest pre-trials runner with an 11.8 run in June, falling at the 4th hurdle. Hall then ran a personal best 11.8 in the third heat. In the final the two crossed the line with virtually nothing to choose between them. Hall later recounted "The clerk asked the two judges that were judging first place, "who won first?" They both said "Hall". Then he asked the second place judges, "who was second?" and they both said "Hall". So he queried "where was the Babe?". And he said, "well she must have been first". They staged another remarkably close battle in the Olympic final, with "Babe" Didriksen winning by inches. Didriksen won the team AAU title by herself, winning the Shot, Javelin and Baseball throw (her 272'2" was well short of her 1931 world's best of 296'0" - which is still a best on record more than 65 years on), as well as gaining a tie for 1st in the High Jump, and finishing 4th in the discus.

High Jump

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| 1. Mildred Didriksen (Employers Casualty AA) | 5'3 3/16" (1.60) AR |
| 1. Jean Shiley (MeAC) | 5'3 3/16" (1.60) AR |
| 3. Annette Rogers (IWAC) | 5'2" (1.57) |
| 4. Genevieve Valvoda | 5.0" (1.52) |
| 4. Wilhelmina von Bremen | 5.0" (1.52) |
| 4. Dorothy Frances Anderson (Mich N) | 5.0" (1.52) |
| 4. Catherine Maguire | 5.0" (1.52) |

The High Jump was a ponderously slow competition, due to the size of the field and delays because of Didriksen's racing around from event to event. By the time 5'1" was reached, the field had been reduced by half a dozen to seven, with just 3 of those remaining able to clear that height. Rogers, Shiley and Didriksen continued to the US record height of 5'3 3/16", though it was thought at the time that they were jumping at a WR height (Carolyn Gisolf [NED] had jumped 1.62 a month earlier. Shiley and Didriksen had identical jumping records, and so tied for victory.

Discus Throw

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| 1. Ruth Osborn (Unat.- Shelbyville, Mo.) | 133'0 3/4" (40.55) AR |
| 2. Margaret Jenkins (Unat.- San Francisco) | 127'0 1/2" (38.72) |
| 3. Lillian Copeland (LAAC) | |
| 4. Mildred Didriksen (Employers Casualty AA) | |

Javelin Throw

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| 1. Mildred Didriksen (Employers Casualty AA) | 139'3" (42.44) |
| 2. Nan Gindele (IWAC) | |
| 3. Gloria Russell (Western WAC) | |
| 4. Gertrude Sterling (Unat.- Puyallup, Wa.) | |

Gindele came into the competition as favorite, having thrown a WR 153'4 1/2" the month before the Trials, but she dropped 40' off that level in placing second behind Didriksen, who improved (from 135'5 1/2"/40.68m in 1930) to 139'3", some 4 feet less than her winning distance in the Olympics 2 weeks later.